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State Energy Council
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Meeting Minutes
Kennedy Conference Room - Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Attendees: Mollie Anderson, Karen Merrick, John Perkins, Tom Shepherd, Joan Conrad, Jeff Geerts, Mike Coveyou, Stuart Crine, Roya Stanley, Brian Crowe, Jim Bodensteiner.

Business

- DPS - International Energy Conservation Code:
 - ‡ DNR to review IECC code proposals (~140) to establish most important;
 - ‡ 2010 energy code standards to be 30 percent more efficient than 2006 standards; and
 - ‡ 2020 energy code standards to be 50 percent more efficient than 2006 standards.
- DAS:
 - ‡ Two SEC meeting presentations recommended - Iowa Prison Industries Green Cleaning products and DAS Design Team posture on energy efficiency; and
 - ‡ Building energy efficiency graph presented to members, with a recommendation that the graph be distributed to legislators as a tool to better define energy efficiency priorities for Iowa buildings.
- DED - Innovation and Commercialization Program:
 - ‡ Iowa has huge construction product industry;
 - ‡ Program funds early prototype development;
 - ‡ Promotes partnerships between manufacturers and university researchers; and
 - ‡ Presents opportunities to address energy efficiency design criteria problems and develop Energy Star equivalents that are less costly - "Iowa Energy Star" rating.

Sustainable Design

- DAS - (1) Recommendation to use the state building design phase as an opportunity to identify cost effective sustainable design elements; (2) principal goal should be to lower life cycle costs for state buildings;
- IUB - (1) Cost estimation for LEED Platinum is not well-defined because of a lack of examples to study; (2) LEED energy efficiency standards are moving targets; (3) decision to implement LEED standards needs to be made up front, making is difficult to prioritize by cost effectiveness;
- DED - Develop green state building working group; define baseline/minimum and consistent green building standards for state buildings; keep public informed of projected building energy code changes.

Legislation

- OCA opposes DHR HSB 549, which would allow IUB to establish or approve discount rates for gas and electric utility service applicable to low-income residents who qualify for disconnection restriction provisions specified in Code section 476.20; and

- DPS opposes SF 2084, which requires certain public buildings to meet specified green building rating standards as “high-performance public buildings” (LEED silver standard).

Committee members reminded to provide monthly report to OEI by 04/04/08.

NEXT MEETING:

02/22/08, 9am to 10am, Kennedy Conference Room